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1. IDS
2. Examiner's Amendment to correct the dependency of claim 38 (new claim 6). This claim was dependent on a cancel claim 32.

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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

The application has been amended as follows:

Please correct the dependency by deleting "32" and inserting "33" in line 2 of claim 38 (new number 6).

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

A copy of IDS filed on 7/19/2000 is enclosed.

COMMUNICATION

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Sabiha Qazi whose telephone number is (571) 272-0622. The examiner can normally be reached on any business day.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Thurman Page can be reached on (571) 272-0602. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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